FISCAL NOTE

HB 2554 - SB 2725

February 10, 2004

SUMMARY OF BILL: Requires the Board for Licensing Health Care Facilities to report to the Commissioner of Health on fire safety in residential health facilities regulated by the department by September 1, 2004. The board is to consult with the Department of Commerce and Insurance about the grandfather clause allowing older facilities to operate under previous building codes, including those that do not require fire suppressant sprinkler systems.

The Commissioner of Health is to consult with the Commissioner of Commerce and Insurance and made recommendations to enhance fire safety and report to the House Health and Human Resources Committee and the Senate General Welfare, Health and Human Resource Committee by January 15, 2005.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

MINIMAL

Estimate assumes the Departments of Health and Commerce and Insurance can conduct the study with existing budgeted resources.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director